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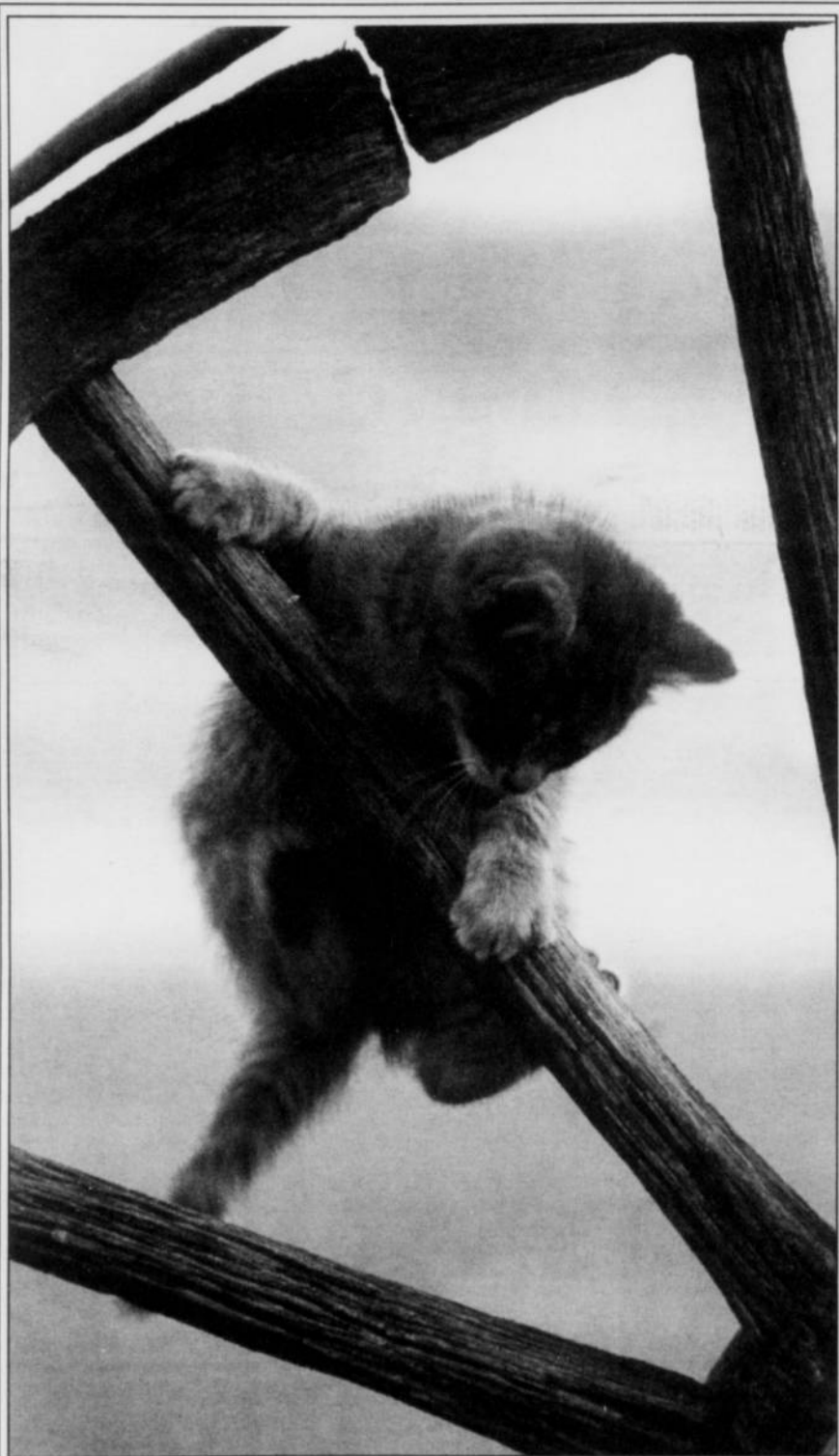
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Hanging in there

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A kitten hangs precariously from the spoke of an old wooden wheel on a farm just outside of Didsbury. The kitten's grip hasn't been compromised by the weather as it hasn't rained for more than two weeks now in the Didsbury area.

AGRICULTURE

Councillor will encourage County to declare drought disaster

by Richard Westlund
and Dan Singleton

County Councillor Pat James said he will encourage County Councillors to declare the municipality a drought area at today's (July 24) Council meeting.

Following the lead of 30-plus municipalities that have declared their boundaries as drought disaster areas, Mountain View County is likely make the move to raise public awareness of the situation and to qualify for certain programs.

James, who sits on the Alberta Agriculture Drought Disaster Committee, said recent information he has seen compiled by the province clearly shows it is time that Mountain View County takes the step.

"I have seen a map that outlines the drought areas in red and all of Mountain View County now falls in the drought zone," he said.

Initially the drought areas were more confined, but as the situation has worsened more areas have been severely affected. James said the situation has gotten so bad the entire province could be declared a drought disaster.

Since it was announced publicly that James is sitting on the Drought Disaster Committee, he has received some phone calls with farmers explaining their situation or enquiring about what stage the committee is at.

One ratepayer who feeds silage and grain to his cattle is in the situation now that he will likely have to silage all of his crop and buy grain to feed his cattle, he said.

James said he expects all of the ratepayers in the County will be affected by the drought in one way or another some more than others.

When asked if he thought

some farmers would be forced from the business because of the weather, he hoped not but the reality of the situation might create that situation.

"There might be some guys that won't survive it," said James adding that older farmers might contemplate retirement after this year. "But it would be an awful time to sell out."

James said he has heard Alberta could lose up to 30 per cent of its cattle in the province at the end of the year. He said that will be a terrible blow to the cattle and feeding industry.

Reeve Ian Harvie confirmed councillors may decide Wednesday whether to declare an emergency.

"What level will be discussed, whether it will be total or partial, it does vary in our municipality (the severity of the drought)," said Harvie.

"Substantially everybody is getting a third of the crop. There are some areas that are doing better than that. It depends when it got the rain and didn't. For example, where I live, I got two inches and that has substantially picked up our pasture, not to typical years but at least it gives us another month of grazing anyhow. But other areas didn't receive that, and they are in bad shape. The heat this week is taking its toll too."

Asked if there are many people in the county giving up their cattle, Harvie said, "There are a few people who have moved cattle, but not that I'm aware of, that they are totally out of feed. That hasn't been brought to my attention."

The County is certainly not experiencing the same extreme drought conditions as northern Alberta areas, he said.

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Business will be affected by drought

by Richard Westlund

Didsbury businesses are likely to feel some impact from the drought farmers are facing, said the town's Chamber of Commerce chairperson last week.

Marc Aubee said if farmers suffer, the businesses they support in Didsbury are likely to feel an affect too.

"There will be a fairly significant affect. There will be a definite decrease in business," said Aubee. "It's too

hard to tell yet what it will be."

"I think it can be seen as an economic downturn for the area."

Aubee, who manages Fitness FX with his wife said he won't likely know what the toll will be like at the gym until probably January.

"I think local businesses are going to realize it more, talk about it more in September and October when farmers get their paychecks for their crops."

Aubee said the Didsbury area is lucky that the economy is diversified and that people working in oil and gas, lumber, homebuilding and commuters from Calgary. He said that diversity will help keep business going in town.

Aubee said he remembers some dry years in the past, including last year, but he said last minute rains have at least made some difference.

"I don't ever remember a situation as bad as this."

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Aqua boost

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The Didsbury Aqua Jets got a big boost last week when AG Foods handed over \$1,876.80 as part of their Community Rewards program. Pictured are (front row) Sawyer Daley, Brittney Tyler, Cassidy Daley and Shallaine Daley, (back row) Manager Clayton Guest, President of the Aqua Jets Tammi van Tighem and Mary Howden.

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"We're not at that degree, so that brings my comment forward about what degree of disaster we'll put forward. Our production level is dramatically behind what typically it is."

"We don't have zero production that would be total, and we're not total."

The County is considering what programs it might put in place to help producers, he said.

"We're looking at how we can help out as a county to our rate payers. Our finance committee, which I chair, has been working on a few issues."

Asked if those programs could include cash to produc-

ers in the County, he replied, "In a form. Until council decides which avenue, we're just bringing forward some recommendations."

By declaring an emergency the county alerts the provincial and federal governments about the situation and possible access emergency funding, he said.

"Really that gives the province and the federal government the heads up. If there are programs coming out then we can make applications on that behalf."

County administrator Harold Johnsrude confirmed Mountain View County council will review the drought situation on Wednesday.

"It's on the agenda to discuss in depth what is involved in declaring drought disaster and council will make some decisions then," said Johnsrude.

"In the east part of our county there are some major concerns there, as well the hay crops on the west side, from my understanding, our running about a third of normal."

Meanwhile James said nothing will get better until crops receive the moisture they need.

"There isn't any amount of money that can turn this thing around," said James. "Only rain will turn it around."

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If agriculture is going to make it in this century we have to dump the apple pie and motherhood mentality and think of agriculture as the big business it is.

by Carla Victor

Agriculture is the second top-branching industry in this province. Ironically it is an industry that affects everyone, yet few care to know about it.

"We are talking about a huge significant industry, yet it seems all the public hears about, through the media, is whining farmers this or poor farmers that," said Candace Vanin, land use analyst with Agriculture and Ag/Food Canada.

She is passionate about heightening the general public's awareness of the truth about agriculture.

"We truly believe agriculture is at a crossroads right now because we have such a large percentage of population that is non-agricultural and they are not aware of the role agriculture plays in all our lives. These people are most often our decision makers," says Vanin.

She asks, do we, as a society value agriculture?

Information and statistics available can only lead one to believe that, at this time, the answer is no.

On average between 50,000 and 60,000 acres of farmland are lost each and every year in Alberta, because of the current pace of development.

And with 72 per cent of Alberta's population living on the Highway 2 corridor, the pace won't be slowing any time soon.

Alberta's Environmentally Sustainable Agriculture did a needs assessment survey in 2000 asking what information the general public would like to see or have pertaining to agriculture and the results said most people didn't want to know anything.

"We have a horrendous task ahead of us to somehow help people understand and appreciate where their food comes from.

"We have to get it through to them that if you eat, you are involved in agriculture."

Bringing agriculture into the new century will depend as much on the producer as it does the urbanite consumer, says Les Brost, chairman of Agrivantage.

Agrivantage is a 10 member team comprised of representatives from the provincial government, Agriculture and Food Council, the community-at-large and the federal Department of Agriculture.

Brost says the old adage in business, the customer is always right, is no different with agriculture.

Brost, a farmer and rancher, says producers are as guilty of not talking as the consumers are of not listening.

"The problem with us (producers)



photo by Carla Victor

The development pace in Alberta's Highway #2 corridor is unlikely to slow with 72 per cent of Alberta's population living there.

is we don't talk to the public, we talk to suppliers but not our customers.

"We need to kick down the silos and bring down the walls separating us from our customers," said Brost.

"Our customers have clearly told us they don't want genetically modified food yet we continue to try and convince them they should like it," says Brost.

In his opinion this backward thinking is holding back agriculture. He gives an example.

In Manitoba a group of hog producers recognized a market for "humanely raised" pork.

This group sat down with the Manitoba Humane Society (a group many considered to be an enemy of hog producers) and developed production guidelines for pork that would meet with the Humane Society's approval.

"This is a clear example of producers who went out and asked, what can we do to meet your approval?"

Those producers met the criteria and created a specially labeled pork product that is now being sold at a 25 per cent premium. The consumer demand has been so strong they are not able to meet it.

"This revolutionary type of thinking is what producers need to do to

push the edges," says Brost.

"Rural Albertans need to reach out to urban Albertans and say, what is important to you, as our customers and neighbours?"

Talking and raising the level of consciousness is one of two things that must happen agree Vanin and Brost.

They were two of the many people who contributed to make recommendations for the Minister of Agriculture, Shirley McClellan.

The recommendations were a direct result of the Ag Summit held in Edmonton at the beginning of 2000.

The Summit was about determining what needed to be done to bring the agriculture industry into this century.

Thirteen teams were created to define the problems and opportunities facing agriculture. They gathered information, assessed it and made recommendations that are now in the hands of McClellan.

Part of those recommendations suggest further tools are needed, like better incentive programs to give producers more options and the ability to make choices for a better future.

Part two of a three part series looking at the state of Alberta's agriculture industry.

Imagine the Earth as an apple

*Slice it into four parts, three represent the earth's bodies of water. One piece represents land.

*If the remaining piece were sliced in half again, one piece would represent land unsuitable or inhospitable for farming.

*This leaves one eighth of the apple to represent land used to live and grow food.

*Three quarters of the remaining apple (1/32 of total) represents soil too poor to produce food or land covered by cities, roads and buildings.

*The remaining 1/32 of the apple represents the portion of earth where food can grow.

*Then peel, on that piece, represents the thin layer of top soil used in the production of land.

OPINIONS EDITORIAL

Dry times



RICHARD WESTLUND
EDITORIAL

Word about the drought has become forefront conversation on the lips of local farmers and sidewalk banter among urbanites living in Didsbury.

Another week has gone and still no rain.

The situation is bad and continues to get worse with no signs of improvement.

An interesting story was published in the Calgary Herald on Monday that talked about a rural myth floating around auction marts and coffee shops.

The gist of the story is that a farmer brought his cattle to auction for sale because he had run out of pasture or feed. Some versions of the story say the he got paid a ridiculously low price for his herd while another version states the cattle were too malnourished and were dismissed.

The farmer then returned to the farm, shot all of his cattle, and then turned the gun on himself.

There has been no validity to the story but experts have stated the story is a reflection of the frustration and anxiety of what people are going through.

The "rural myth" is frightening and if true would resemble some acts of desperation seen in a similar situation during the 1930s.

But so far things haven't been that bad - not yet.

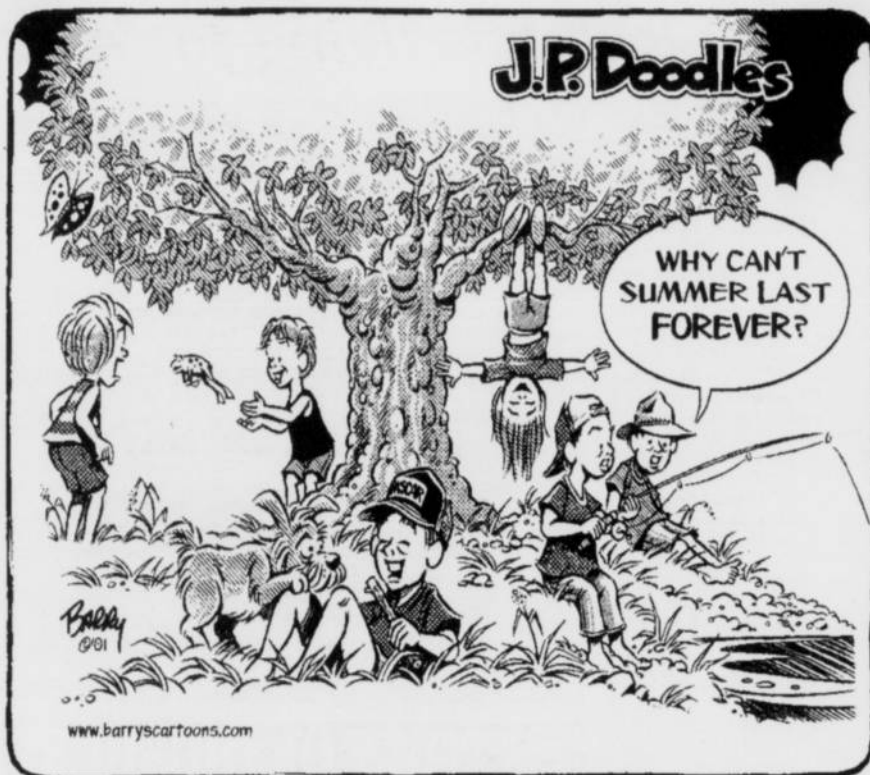
This is the second year in a row that dry weather has dominated headlines in newspapers and has been the subject of first-run stories on the six o'clock news.

It is depressing to watch our friends and neighbours going through a hard time such as they are now and even more frustrating that it is a problem that only patience may fix.

Hopefully the worst is now.

Hopefully farmers are able to get through this.

Hopefully it will rain.



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WILD ROSE REPORT

Farmers able to defer income

by Myron Thompson

As we near the mid-point of summer there are two issues I would like to report to the residents of Wild Rose.

First is the tax deferral designation for farmers. Section 80.3 of the income Tax Act allows farmers who sell part of their breeding herd due to drought conditions in designated regions to defer a portion of sale proceeds to the following year.

To defer income, the breeding herd must have been reduced by at least 15 per cent. Thirty per cent of income from net sales can be deferred if the breeding herd has been reduced by at least 15 per cent, but less than 30 per cent. Where the herd has been reduced by 30 per cent or more, 90 per cent of income from net sales can be deferred.

Proceeds from deferred sales are included as income in the next tax year, when they may be at least partially offset by the cost of reacquiring breeding animals. In the case of consecutive years of drought designation, producers may defer sales income to the first year in which the area is no longer designated. Details of tax deferral provision are provided in the Canada Customs and Revenue

Agency's tax Guide on Farming income.

Drought regions are designated on the advice of the Federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food to the Minister of Finance. Canada Customs and Revenue Agency requires that designated areas have recognized geo-political boundaries, ie. municipalities and counties, for administrative purposes.

Discussions with industry representatives in 1990 led to a decision that tax deferral would only be requested if drought impact was significant. "Significant" was defined as forage yields of less than 50 per cent of the long-term average, and an area that is large enough to have an impact on the industry. Impacts on individual municipalities would not result in a designation.

Livestock producers have also indicated a strong preference for designation to take place as early as possible to provide them with the information needed to make fall and winter management decisions.

A preliminary drought designation can usually be done in September if it appears that the criteria will be met. Since forage yield information is not final until later in the year, preliminary designation is made

primarily on the basis of spring moisture and summer rainfall, supplemented with estimates of forage yield.

Assessments of areas are reviewed in discussions with federal and provincial staff. Final decisions and any needed adjustments are made when all forage yield information is available, usually in December.

Only drought-induced impacts are considered in the designation of eligible areas for tax deferral. Its important to note that for the process to begin each county or municipality must declare itself a disaster region.

Second, is an up-date on the Queen's Golden Jubilee Medals. I am pleased to report that my office received over 60 nominations for the 20 medals to be awarded.

All those nominated were deserving of the honour. It was a difficult decision for the 5 member selection committee, but they were able to recommend 20 individuals who had exhibited distinguished service or made a significant contribution to their fellow citizens, community or to Canada. I will be pleased to announce the winners early this fall when the Governor General's office produces their final list.

Wonderings of the heart

Travelling in Our Lane

by Margaret Fradley

Are we travelling in the fast or the slow lane? Do we tend to drive over the speed limit or under? A gentle reminder, when we travel higher than the speed limit, our guardian angel is still going the speed limit.

Do we carefully drive in our own lane? We have all read of incidents where drivers veered off into another's lane causing serious injury.

As I began to think about this, I pondered about the 'lanes of our lives' that have been laid out for us; that if we travel our lane too quickly, we can miss being where we are meant to be at a certain time; the same can be true when we travel down our lane too slowly. Then one might ask what happens when we cross over into another's lane, where they are travelling the road of life laid out for them, we can often just 'be in their way' we can interfere with their lives; perhaps slowing them down from their journey.

Each one has a lane to travel on; those we are meant to meet, will appear in our lane, those perhaps whom we have a privilege to help or encourage along the way; or perhaps they are there to help and encourage us in our walk.

Situation and decision which need to be made will show up in our 'lane' and we will be given strength and courage to face them.

Peter, the disciple of Jesus, asked Jesus about what the future was holding for John and Jesus response was "What is that to thee, follow thou me". Just another thought to share.



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King Ralph is living far apart from his subjects

Dear Editor,

King Ralph (who of course lives in Ralph's World) is out of control! Does no one see he thinks this is a feudal system! That being the thing that gives him absolute power!

Is this not less than desirable in a leader, someone who is responsible for our lives & and our children's lives, now and the future.

This dictator runs amok and nobody is challenging him. His sword is slashing our province apart!

While he reigns he helps the people of his court become wealthier, and all others are reduced to dirt poor peasants. Many families and children are, and will be, homeless and hungry.

Soon only the rich will be able to afford to feed and shelter their children, to provide health care and education. Without access to all, our next generation(s) will be peasants indeed, equipped only for physical labor (providing they're healthy enough without medical care)!

There is some aid for those with a very low income, the Handicapped, and Senior Citizens. The king in all his benevolence deigns to grant these people 1/2 of Poverty Level! Rent costs more than this amount! He sits on the province's treasury, billions of dollars in our Trust Fund, and imperialistically decrees he has no money to give to the hungry, homeless, often abused or orphaned children! He should be made to tell each individual child why they have no food, shelter or safety.

Ralph has only to look down the road to his next election campaign, and his personal "treasury". What of the suffering masses, and those to come? His sword is inflicting damage that will take years if ever for future governments to heal!

I challenge him and his MLAs to live restricted to this income for a few months!

And somebody should tell him that tobacco is NOT an illegal substance! I have never heard of anyone smoking too much and crashing into a tree, abusing their spouse, and/or their children, or verbally abusing homeless men at a shelter!

It's obvious that King Ralph favors alcohol, thus the tax of \$0.60 tax per bottle. This insane tax of \$2.25 pkg is penalizing only the

peasants and, it is now lucrative enough to cause a huge increase income. The money spent to police this crime would be much more valuable spent on our children's care and safety!

Peasants are taking the brunt of this mad spree he is on, and they have no recourse to improve their lot and the icing on the cake - cutting glasses and dentures from Senior's benefits. Now

they won't be able to see what they can't.

King Ralph can go no lower! I don't understand why Albertans and our Legislative Representatives are allowing

this insanity!

Are we powerless to challenge his madness?!

To stay his sword?!

Sincerely Outraged,
Debbie Arthur

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CENSUS FIGURES

Didsbury's population is getting older says census

by Richard Westlund

Didsbury's population is getting older and is now slightly above the national average, according to numbers released by Statistics Canada last week.

Didsbury's median age was

listed in the 2001 census at 37.4 years, up 1.9 years from 1996 census numbers when the median age was 35.5.

Sherry Wallace, a Statistics Canada communication manager for the region, said while the numbers are up slightly in Didsbury it doesn't

accurately reflect some changes in certain age groups.

The age group of 20-65, which she described as the working age group increased by 16 per cent over the last four years.

The older portion of that

bracket, from 45-65, rose even more dramatically by 30.5 per cent.

It was released earlier this year that Didsbury's total population rose from 3,553 to 3,932 - a 10.7 per cent increase.

Also released last week through Statistics Canada were the numbers of males versus females in Didsbury. Numbers were very similar to the last census.

There are 94.55 men per hundred women in Didsbury. Five years ago the number

was 94.67 men per hundred woman.

Total numbers were pegged at 1,910 males to 2,020 females - a difference of 110.

Lifespan number seem to be the major reason for the age differences as there are 55 women over 85 in Didsbury compared to 30 men. There are 95 men between the ages of 75-84 versus 130 women.

Wallace said more results regarding the census are expected to come out later this year.



Flying high

Paul Kinghorn of Didsbury was the lucky winner of the annual Didsbury R/C Fun Flyers raffle for a SIG model airplane kit, complete with an engine and radio system. Paul's ticket was drawn at the July 1 Fun Fly. He is pictured here (middle) with his grandson Beau (left) and club president Ray Arie.

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MP Myron Thompson gives a sexy look while out on his tour of his constituency. Thompson rated as third sexiest MP in a published poll last week.

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Thompson among the sexiest on Parliament Hill

Local MP also snags title of worst dressed male politician

by Richard Westlund

Tom Cruise, Brad Pitt and George Clooney would be some of the first names mentioned when the topic of "sexy" was brought up.

But now you can add Myron Thompson, Wild Rose MP, to the list.

Thompson finished third in a poll, done annually, published by the Hill Times newspaper that determined who the sexiest politicians were.

Alliance MP Rahim Jaffer, who also took the title of hippest MP, and Conservative House Leader Peter MacKay were the only two that finished ahead of him. MacKay finished in first place

for the fourth year in a row.

The poll is conducted among staffers of the 61 MPs' offices who rate their bosses on a variety of different titles.

When asked if he was surprised at his ranking in the poll, Thompson said "of course not", adding that his wife thought he should have been pegged in the number one spot.

Thompson said there were so many things he could mention that make him sexy but believes that someone probably saw him wearing a muscle shirt on a hot day around Parliament Hill.

"People have been having a lot of fun with it," said Thompson. "I have been touring farmland recently and I am glad that something was able to bring a smile to people's faces. I am glad I could contribute to that."

Thompson made the poll twice, also being dubbed "worst-dressed male

MP".

"You have to realize that the guys that do the voting on things like this are from out east and they don't like cowboy hats and western dress," said Thompson.

Thompson was quick to get back to his "sexiest" naming and said that he would have to watch his back closer now.

Prime Minister Chretien fared poorly in the polling and was dubbed worst joke teller and second-worst orator.

Liberal leadership hopeful Paul Martin was best-dressed male MP, best orator, best speech-maker, best power-luncher, best fundraiser and most ambitious MP.

Jane Stewart was best-dressed female MP and sexiest female MP, while Elsie Wayne was named worst dressed MP.

After being named to the list,

"People have been having a lot of fun with it. I have been touring farmland recently and I am glad that something was able to bring a smile to people's faces. I am glad I could contribute to that."

- Myron Thompson, Sexy MP

Thompson got about 20 calls the next day - most from the national media. Thompson said he has concluded his calls telling everybody that "not all of us can be on the list".

LIFESTYLES

AROUND THE CIRCLE

Challenge Cup held this weekend

by Marge St.Clair

The Ward Value Drug Mart - Specialites Unlimited 3rd Annual Charity Classic was a huge success. \$2017.00 was raised and will be divided between the Mountain View Food Bank and the Cubs and Scouts and Girl Guides Groups. Well done to all the organizers.

Wed. July 24

Be sure to support the Farmers Market held every week in the Curling Rink from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. You can rent a table by phoning Laura at 335-4252.

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July 26-28

The Didsbury Gunners Men's Slo Pitch team under player coach Stan Laveck will be defending their championship at the Challenge Cup in Westard Ho Park this weekend. Last year the Gunners brought the trophy back to Didsbury for the first time since 1983. Good luck to the team.

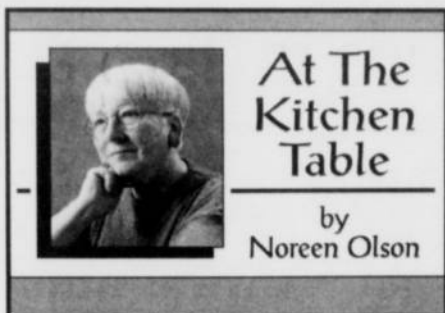
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Saturday July 27

Playoffs are finished in the Didsbury mixed Slo Pitch League (results next week) and the wind up BBQ begins at 4:00 pm at Cipperley's Pond. All players welcome and enjoy!

Tues. July 30

Dr. Nugent, foot specialist will be at the 5-0 Centre from 1pm-4:30 pm. No appointment necessary.



At The Kitchen Table

by Noreen Olson

When we have visitors from another country they always go home with photos of Elevators. Sometimes they specifically request that they be taken to an elevator, sometimes they just tap you on the shoulder and say, "please may we stop here for a picture." Elevators are one of the primary symbols of Western Canada. Elevators are to the prairies what windmills are to Holland, and the pyramids are to Egypt. In a landscape as vast as ours they have been the one thing that stands out on the horizon to mark a settlement. They remind us that grain farming is the backbone of the Prairie economy and they are uniquely ours. Once every prairie town had an elevator with the town name proudly painted on it's side, now of the 1759 that stood sentinel and flanked roads in Alberta, only 40 remain, and if they were alive they would be classed as a severely endangered species. It's not too difficult to reconstruct a one room school or a blacksmith shop or a general store so that new generations can learn hands on Alberta history but how likely is it that a struggling Historical Society will reconstruct an elevator? When the elevators are gone they will really be "gone".

Grain elevators are closely tied to prairie settlement. As soon as we began to grow wheat in an amount sufficient for export we needed a better way of handling it. In the late 1800's farmers brought grain, usually in sacks, to loading platforms along the railway, and loaded it manually into cars. It took an awful lot of backbreaking work to fill a car. As farms grew larger, and production increased, the railways often could not provide enough box cars at the right time and place and the system bogged down. The problems now were how to store large amounts of grain at the station until a box car became available and how could they speed up the loading? There were large grain warehouses in use in Minnesota and The Dakotas by the 1870s and by 1879 a round, silo shaped elevator was built at Niverville, Manitoba. In 1881 The Ogilvie Milling Co. built the first rectangular model at Gretna, Manitoba. In 1884 the CPR began building it's own terminal elevators at Fort William but they couldn't afford to build elevators everywhere so to encourage private companies to get into the business they offered free rent to any company who would build an elevator along the railway. As an added incentive the CPR promised to only accept grain from the elevator agent. This excluded the farmer so the railway and grain companies held the monopoly in grain trade and this is probably the origin of the phrase, "damn the CPR."

In 1913 Standard specifications were adopted and elevators remained pretty well the same size and shape for the next 50 years. By 1916 there were over 300 elevator companies. A few of them were British, several of them were American but most were Canadian owned. When the CN and the Grand Trunk Railways became established they also encouraged companies to get into the elevator business and by 1900 there were about 330 elevators in Manitoba and 88 in the Northwest Territories (Alberta and Sask.) By 1910 there were 707 in Manitoba, 1004 in Saskatchewan and 285 in Alberta. At about this time dissatisfied farmers began to form their own companies, United Grain Growers, Saskatchewan and Alberta Co-operatives and the Wheat Pools. By 1938 there were 5,758 elevators.

With the Depression many farm families gave up, towns became deserted, elevators stood empty. When things picked up again grain handling facilities that had been designed for horse drawn wagons were not efficient for big trucks and good roads made it easier to travel longer distances to better facilities. The last of the giant dinosaurs began it's trek toward extinction.

Saving the elevator in Carstairs is not practical. Having children is not practical. Health Care for seniors is not practical. So few of the really important things in life are practical. I hope Carstairs can save it's elevator and who knows, rare as elevators are getting to be Carstairs may become famous because they had the foresight to keep theirs alive.

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SUMMER EVENT

Miniature Horse Show will take place in Didsbury

Town will host Western Canadian event

by Richard Westlund

After moving from location to location, the Western Canadian Miniature Horse Association will host its annual show in Didsbury.

The show, which is expected to bring entrants from across Western Canada will take place on July 27 and 28 at the Didsbury arena.

Last year the show was held in Camrose and other locations have included Olds College and Claresholm.

"We are always looking around for a new place to hold the show and a fellow in our club suggested Didsbury because he said the community really gets behind projects like this," said organizer Charlene Gale, adding that the Didsbury Ag. Society has already thrown their support behind the project.

"They have been very supportive and will be helping out with the show."

Gale said organizers have found so much support in Didsbury and are so impressed with the local facility that there has already been some talk about bringing the show to Didsbury every second year.

The show, which will start at 9 a.m. on Satur-

day and Sunday will feature driving, racing, halter, costume and jumping classes.

Exhibitor and showmanship classes will also be held. The two-judge show is also expected to encourage audience participation and Gale said a draw may be held that would allow the winner an opportunity to drive a miniature horse in a class.

The show is an annual fund-raiser for the association.

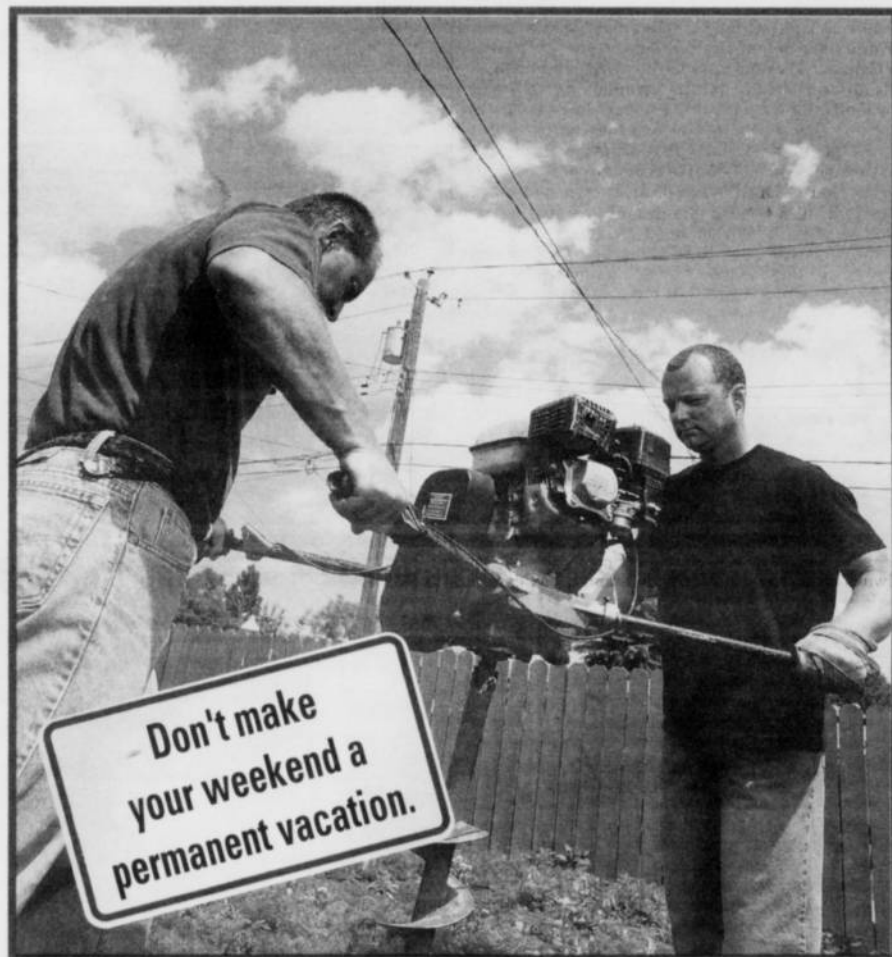
Miniature horses can be up to 34 inches tall at the withers (eight and a half hands) and weigh about 200 pounds.

"We are always looking around for a new place to hold the show and a fellow in our club suggested Didsbury because he said the community really gets behind projects like this."

- Charlene Gale, organizer



Taylor Giles and Vixen participate in a ridden barrels class. Taylor is 6 years old and Vixen is 26 years old. They are the best of friends and both enjoy their time together.



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LIFESTYLES

SOFTBALL

Dirty Mothers preparing for national softball tourney

by Rhonda Hunter

Time has been flying so fast this summer that by the time this information gets to where it is going the Dirty Mothers Slopitch team will have already played the majority of a season of league slopitch and have participated in the Softball Alberta Provincial Championship tournament.

While the Dirty Mothers have played in the Didsbury Mixed Slopitch League for three years now, this will be the first time that they have participated in Softball Alberta Provincials.

League play has definitely kept the team well practiced with their batting and field-

ing and the Dirty Mothers are going into league playoffs with a first-place finish in regular league play!

League playoffs started July 18 and following their first playoff game, the Mothers were on their way to provincials in Calgary to play ladies slopitch from Friday, July 19 - Sunday, July 21.

Teams from all parts of the province were entered in this tournament and it was anticipated by the team that they would be facing some good competition in their games. The Dirty Mothers were playing Stixx (Calgary), Denamo (Lethbridge), and Diamond Divas (Edmonton) for the round-robin portion of the tourney. Playoffs started fol-

lowing round-robin.

The Dirty Mothers are now busy preparing for their games at the 2002 Slopitch National Championships that will also be hosted in Calgary this year.

This National Championship tournament runs the August long weekend and the Dirty Mothers start their games on Friday, August 2. The Dirty Mothers are competing in the 35 competitive division this year and have retitled themselves (for this tournament only) to become Mother Load! Teams from Ontario, BC and Alberta will be participating at the cham-

pionship.

The 35 competitive division is new to SPN and is going to be an exciting division to be participating in! The team is also excited to be back on "home turf."

Their best showing at Nationals was in Calgary in 2000 where they won the Bronze medal.

The Dirty Mothers have traveled across Canada playing slopitch and are looking forward to this, their 6th National Championship. The

team is ready and optimistic - let the games begin!!

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Friday Aug 2 5:00 pm
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DROUGHT

Leaving greener pastures; cattle go to market early

Cattle prices are falling while the price of feed drastically continues to climb

by Carla Victor

Rumours of Auction Marts turning away cattle are not true say Olds Auctioneer Greg Sanderson.

Rumors of auction markets turning away cattle for lack of buyers are scaring people, when it just isn't true, said Sanderson after last week's auction day, July 17.

"People are scared, rumours are circulating but any auction mart I know of is not turning away cattle."

Sanderson said it is true conditions in this area are bad, but not as bad as conditions north of Mountain View County.

Local farmers and ranchers are starting to cull herds in our area where up north producers are selling entire herds.

"They are selling their livelihoods -where will their income come from next year because the factory has now been sold."

Cow/calf pair prices are being driven down. Pairs are getting between \$900 and \$1,150 where last year's prices brought \$1,500 or \$1,600.

He said if it rains, producers will want to buy them back and prices will soar. There will be a high demand for cattle when and if this cycle comes to an end. For now cow/calf pairs are being split up at the auction mart. Calves are going to feedlots or farms who can sustain them and cows are going to slaughter.

Sanderson said normally, at this time of year very few cattle are going through markets. He saw an increase of cattle being sold last year at this time but this year conditions are worse and farmers are culling more of their herd.

"Last year they culled and this year they are culling harder. We are seeing pretty good cows that normally you wouldn't see on the market, they would be on the farm. We are lucky this is only culling, up north they are selling the herd."

Sanderson also reported the price of hay is soaring and feed is scarce.

Right now Olds Auction Mart is getting any hay or straw from the Lethbridge area and it is selling anywhere from \$140 to \$200 per tonne.

"Usually we are shipping the hay to Lethbridge and normally we aren't selling it this early. We don't know what the price will peak at."



Greg Sanderson, Olds Auction Mart Auctioneer, said there will be a high demand for cattle once conditions change.

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LIFESTYLES

FIGHTING DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

Police officer is DAREing to make a difference

by Carla Victor

Focus on the Family



QUESTION: Generally speaking, what kind of discipline do you use with a teen-ager who is habitually miserable to live with?

DR. DOBSON: The general rule is to use action — not anger — to reach an understanding. Any time you can get teen-agers to do what is necessary without becoming furious at them, you are ahead of the game. Let me provide a few examples of how this might be accomplished:

(1) In Russia, I'm told that teen-agers who are convicted of using drugs are denied driver's licenses for years. It is a very effective approach.

(2) When my daughter was a teen-ager, she used to slip into my bathroom and steal my razor, my shaving cream, my toothpaste or my comb. Of course, she never brought them back. Then after she had gone to school, I would discover the utensils missing. There I was with wet hair or "fuzzy" teeth, trying to locate the confiscated items in her bathroom. It was no big deal, but it was irritating. Can you identify? I asked Danae a dozen times not to do this, to no avail. Thus, the phantom struck without warning one cold morning. I hid everything she needed to put on her "face," and then left for the office. My wife told me she had never heard such wails and moans as were uttered that day. Our daughter plunged desperately through bathroom drawers looking for her toothbrush, comb and hair dryer. The problem never resurfaced.

(3) A family living in a house with a small hot-water tank was continually frustrated by their teen-ager's endless showers. Screaming at him did no good. Once he was locked behind the bathroom door, he stayed in the steamy stall until the last drop of warm water had been drained. Solution? In mid-stream, Dad stopped the flow of hot water by turning a valve at the tank. Cold water suddenly poured from the nozzle. Junior popped out of the shower in seconds. Henceforth, he tried to finish bathing before the faucet turned frigid.

(4) A single mother couldn't get her daughter out of bed in the morning until she announced a new policy: The hot water would be shut off promptly at 6:30 a.m. The girl could either get up on time or bathe in ice water. Another mother had trouble getting her 8-year-old out of bed each morning. She then began pouring bowls of frozen marbles under the covers with him each morning. They gravitated to wherever his body lay. The boy arose quite quickly.

(5) Instead of standing in the parking lot and screaming at students who drive too fast, school officials now put huge bumps in the road that jar the teeth of those who ignore them. It does the job quite nicely.

(6) You as the parent have the car that a teen-ager needs, the money that he covets and the authority to grant or withhold privileges. If push comes to shove, these chips can be exchanged for commitments to live responsibly, share the workload at home and stay off little brother's back.

This bargaining process works for younger kids, too. I like the "one-to-one" trade-off for television viewing time. It permits a child to watch one minute of television for every minute spent reading. The possibilities are endless and they don't depend on anger, threats and unpleasantness.

QUESTION: Having a child diagnosed with attention deficit disorder can paint a pretty bleak picture. Is there anything good you can tell us?

DR. DOBSON: There are some advantages to having attention deficit disorder (ADD). In a sense, even the word "disorder" is misleading because the syndrome has many positive features.

As Time reported, "(ADD adults) see themselves as creative; their impulsiveness can be viewed as spontaneity; hyperactivity gives them enormous energy and drive; even their distractibility has the virtue of making them alert to changes in the environment.

Kids with ADD are wild, funny, effervescent. They have lots of life."

Let's not forget, also, that ADD can be treated successfully in many cases.

Stan Wawzonek is cycling across Canada to raise awareness of Drug Abuse Resistance Education - D.A.R.E.

His goal is to spread the D.A.R.E. and Wawzonek, 60, hopes his efforts will mean every student in this country has the opportunity to become a D.A.R.E. graduate.

His journey began in St. Johns, Newfoundland, April 30 and he is determined to end it in Victoria, B.C., July 31.

This is Wawzonek's third time to bike from coast to coast of this great nation. The first two times, in 1997 and 1999, he rode to raise awareness for veterans. This time, he wanted to do the trip again for police officers. When he discussed this his hometown Sergeant in Brantford, Ont. the sergeant suggested he chose a cause police advocate.

"I wanted to raise awareness of the role police play in our lives.

"They endure tragedies that I don't think we appreciate. The sergeant asked me to do it for D.A.R.E. and I agreed," said Wawzonek.

He knew of the program because his grandson graduated it and when he researched the program he was convinced every school should include it in their curriculum.

D.A.R.E. is a 17 week program for Grades 5 and 6. Students spend one hour per week with a Police D.A.R.E. instructor learning about the effects of smoking, drinking and drug abuse.

Olds RCMP detachment has three officers trained to instruct D.A.R.E., Constables Pat Chornoby, Cindee Moore

and Ken Beard. Didsbury RCMP detachment has Const. Gloria Wipf, currently there is no one trained to instruct the program at Sundre's detachment so their school will not receive instruction.

The course teaches students to build life skills and gain the self confidence to say no to harmful substances.

Although the program was originally implemented in Los Angeles in 1983, Beard said the material covered is relevant for rural communities too. "Drugs and violence are prevalent in all areas and all kids are feeling the pressures."

Wawzonek also believes that students in the DARE program have a better relationship with law enforcement, Beard agrees.

"This is a fantastic way to

bridge the gap between us and the students, and build a good relationship with law enforcement agencies," said Beard.

When Wawzonek researched the program by attending four DARE graduations he noticed a good bond between police and students.

"The first thing I noticed was how much respect these kids have for their D.A.R.E. instructors," said Wawzonek.

He wants every community to share in the success of this program and that is why he isn't asking for donations he is asking people to support the program financially.

"I want everyone to have this program, if you do, support it, if you don't get a board together to get the funding necessary to get the program."

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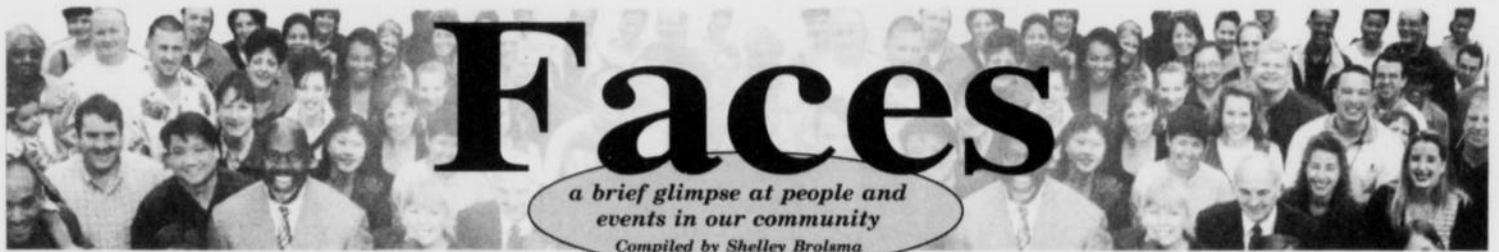
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a brief glimpse at people and events in our community

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Five Day Club is aimed at providing fun and information



Karen Anderson

Wondering how to entertain and enlighten your kids this summer?

Join the Club!

The Five Day Club, that is. The Five Day Club is a Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF) initiative beginning August 19th targeted at providing children with fun, informative sessions that portray stories and verses from the Bible, missionary experiences and gospel passages they will remember all summer long.

Club Co-organizer Karen Anderson says each Club is open to children ages 5 through 12 and is held primarily outdoors.

Club activities are held in residential backyards and (in the case of the soccer club which accompanies the Five Day Club for children 8-12 years) the neighborhood soccer field, Westhill Park.

Although slightly unusual in location, the residential settings provide an informal, relaxed setting most children

and parents find inviting.

Five Day Clubs are held each afternoon at 1:00 pm and 3:00 pm.

A special Soccer Club for the older children, aged 8-12 years, is held in the mornings at 10:00 am in Westhill Park between Westhills Drive and Westhill Crescent.

"Each Club includes different games, skits, songs, stories and refreshments, contest and prizes. It's a lot of fun," says Anderson.

Anyone interested in hav-

ing their child participate in this year's Five Day Club can do so by simply attending a session. The 1:00 pm "Club" is being held at 1522 Walter Place and the 3:00 pm "Club" is being held at 6 Westwood Drive.

"Through this, we would like to introduce families to the Church to come and learn more about God and his word," says Anderson.

Information about the Club can be obtained in advance by phoning 335-3629.

Redeemer Lutheran Church offers innovative Circus School

Boys and girls, step right up. Redeemer Lutheran Church is now offering Circus School.

It's all part of their innovative Vacation Bible School program this summer entitled "Godz Werkus Circus School" where kids learn that with God all things are possible.

The school runs July 29 - August 2nd from 9:30 am to noon and offers such activities as games, crafts, music, readings from the Bible and

skits - to name a few.

While actual circus animals and high-wire trapeze acts may have to be altered slightly, Organizer Joyce Magnus says the school still promises dozens of exciting activities for kids between the ages of five and 12-years-old.

"I think it's going to be so much fun.

"Throughout the week the kids will be given various opportunities to earn tokens which they can use later to purchase items from our store

which will be stocked with dozens of fun things for kids to buy."

Tokens are awarded for such things as attendance, Bible memory verses, take-home projects and whether or not they bring a friend. Some of the items available include stuffed animals, Barbies, puzzles, candies, balls and toy cars.

"They have all been graciously donated to us through our Church....We've really received so much help in pull-

ing this together. I just can't thank everyone enough for all of the work that they've done."

Anyone interested in registering their child for Vacation Bible School at Redeemer Lutheran Church can call 335-3161.

Registrations will also be accepted on July 29th at the Church.

"It's an excellent opportunity for children to have fun, hear the gospel and meet some friends."



Joyce Magnus

Support group eases adjustment to special needs children



Cindy Crawford

"Until you've had a special needs child, there's no comparison to how you would raise them....," says Cindy Crawford, parent and founder of the recently-formed support group in town specifically designed for parents with special needs children.

Crawford learned of her son's special needs problems only recently. "My son is just three-years-old. At first he was diagnosed with Global Developmental Delays - which means he is developmentally delayed in all areas, but now they are doing tests to check for autism.

I didn't know what to do at first...it's almost like you go through a period of mourning."

To help cope with the influx of questions she had about how to care for her son and adjust to the changes in her family's life, Crawford decided to start a support group locally. "The three reasons I decided to start this group was as a resource for parents to obtain information about their child's problem and to learn about funding opportunities that may be available. Second was to offer support and advice to one another and third was to make avail-

able a number of guest speakers who could come out and speak to us on helpful ways to work with our children." Some of the guest speakers who have attended the group's bi-weekly meetings so far include Occupational Therapists and Nutritionists.

To assist with any medical issues that may arise from the group, Crawford has arranged to have Early Childhood Nurse, Jackie Schaffer, attend meetings as well. "She's a wonderful resource to have on the health side of things," says Crawford.

The "Parents with Special Needs Children" Support Group meets the first and third Thursdays of each month at 7:00 pm in the Conference Room of the Hospital. All are welcome. For further information, please contact either Cindy Crawford at 335-8696, Cindy Tippe at 335-4123, or Jackie Schaffer at 335-7275.

"I want to be able to help my son, yes...but it's more than that. I also want to be able to advocate support to other parents. The sooner you can catch the problems your children might have, the better."



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Hung up in traffic

photo by Richard Westlund

Wade Ogle wasn't very far into his heat at the demolition derby held at Beef and Barley Days in Carstairs this weekend when his car got stuck on the rail after being hit hard by a competitor.

Aqua Jets continue to make waves

On July 6th, several swimmers from the Didsbury Aqua Jets Swim Club competed at a meet in Trochu. Temperatures were hot but all the swimmers enjoyed the competition in the outdoor pool to cool things down. Clubs attending the meet were from Trochu, Three Hills, Didsbury, Innisfail, Calgary, Okotoks, Hanna and Canmore. Individual swimmer results are as follows:

Jordan Reichenbacher: 8-50 free, 5-25 fly, 4-25 breast, 11-25 free.

Brittany Tyler: 1-50 free, 2-25 fly, 1-50 breast, 1-100 IM. Breanna Hackney: 17-100 free, 23-50 free.

Cody McArthur: 16-100 free, 12-25 fly, 11-50 breast, 18-50 free.

Danielle Lappage: 8-100 free, 3-50 fly, 7-50 breast, 2-100 IM. Kirsten Kurtz: 11-100 free, 10-50 fly, 6-50 breast, 9-100 IM.

Calla Stevens: 20-100 free, 8-50 back, 13-50 breast, 21-50 free. Leigh Thompson: 12-50 fly, 17-50 breast.

Allison Durieux: 6-100 free, 6-100 back, 7-100 breast, 10-50 free.

Aime Berreth: 9-100 free, 6-100 back, 10-50 free. Sawyer Daley: 14-25 fly, 19-25 back, 10-25 breast, 27-25 free.

Josh McArthur: 3-25 fly, 3-25 back, 3-100 IM. Austin Lappage: 7-25 fly, 11-25 back, 6-25 breast, 13-25 free.

Taylor Lappage: 3-25 fly, 2-50 breast, 4-50 free, 2-100 IM. Ryan Hayman: 3-25 fly, 2-50 back, 5-50 breast, 3-100 IM.

Ashley Lappage: 4-50 fly, 5-100 back, 1-100 breast, 3-50 free.

Cameron Durieux: 1-50 fly, 1-100 back, 1-50 free, 1-200 IM. Joshua Reichenbacher: 5-25 back, 10-25 free, 7-100 breast, 11-25 free.

Shallaine Daley: 9-25 free, 11-100 breast, 11-25 free. Aggregate medal winners were Brittany Tyler, Josh McArthur, Cameron Durieux, Taylor Lappage and Ashley Lappage.

Brittany Tyler also swam to an "A" time standard in the 100m freestyle. Tyler qualified for and will be competing at the Provincial Long Course "A" Meet in Edmonton in July.

Good tuck, Brittany! Keep making splashes in the pool at future meets - Aqua Jet swimmers. Clubs competing at the Innisfail Swim Meet came from Innisfail, Didsbury, Trochu, Three Hills, Red Deer, Lacombe, Hanna, Calgary, Cochrane, Canmore, High River, Okotoks, Oyen and High Country.

Meet results for the Innisfail Dolphin Swim Meet are as follows: Madison Frambes: 19-25 fly, 16-50 back, 20-50 breast, 26-50 free. Alexis Whitmore: 14-50 free, 13-25 breast, 24-25 free.

Mackenzie Frambes: 24-50 free, 29-25 back, 33-25 free. Cody McArthur: 18-25 fly, 19-50 free.

Josh McArthur: 2-50 free, 1-25 fly, 3-25 breast, 2-100 IM. Suzanne Baril: 7-100 free, 4-50 back, 11-50 breast, 8-50 free.

Breanna Hackney: 22-100 free, 25-50 back, 34-50 free. Danielle Lappage: 4-100

free, 1-50 back, 4-50 breast, 1-100 IM. Jacqueline Baril: 34-100 free, 19-50 back, 21-50 breast, 33-50 free.

Riley Frambes: 12-100 free, 8-50 back, 14-50 free. Elisabeth Baril: 12-25 fly, 16-25 back, 19-25 breast, 18-25 free.

Jordan Reichenbacher: 5-25 fly, 8-25 breast, 15-25 free. Austin Lappage: 7-25 fly, 13-25 back, 7-25 breast, 13-25 free.

Taylor Lappage: 2-25 fly, 3-50 back, 1-50 breast, 2-100 IM. Calla Stevens: 23-50 fly, 23-50 back, 14-50 breast.

Ashley Lappage: 4-50 fly, 5-50 back, 1-100 breast, 6-50 free. Cameron Durieux: 1-50 fly, 2-100 back, 4-100 breast, 1-50 free.

Emily Thompson: 5-25 back, 2-25 free, 1-100 breast, 1-100 IM. Josh Reichenbacher: 8-25 back, 8-25 free, 7-100 breast.

Tory Hartzler: 31-50 free. Allison Durieux: 13-100 breast, 16-50 free, 9-200 IM, 7-100 free.

Aggregate medal winners were Cameron Durieux, Taylor Lappage, Danielle Lappage and Josh McArthur. Coaches Mike and Andrew are pleased with the progress of all swimmers who attend practices. The swimmers continue to train hard for an upcoming "Regional Meet" which will determine who will go on to compete at the Provincial level meet. Aqua Jet swimmers who will be representing the club at the Alberta Summer Games in Canmore in mid August are Ashley Lappage and Cameron Durieux.

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BASEBALL

No shame in losing for the Olds Midget A Chiefs

Local team is expected to be very competitive at the provincial level again next season

by Barry Williams

Despite losing 11-5 to the Amisk Astros in a semi-final game of the Baseball Alberta Midget "A" provincials held in Olds over the weekend, the Olds Chiefs can be proud of their accomplishments.

"There is no shame in losing," said Chiefs' Head coach, Ernie Olson in a post game interview.

This was our only loss in the championship tournament and the players took it pretty hard," added Olson.

To qualify for semi-final play, the Chiefs won three straight games defeating the St. Paul Rebels 19-9, the Athabasca Cardinals 20-15 and the Rocky Sun Devils 20-13.

"Winning all three of our qualifying games was awesome," indicated Olson, noting the team received great pitching, timely hitting and excellent defensive play.

Against the Astros, the Chiefs opened up an early 3-0 lead on a home run from Jeff Smyth in the first inning. The Astros closed the gap to 3-2 after the second inning and the Chiefs held a 4-3 lead after three innings of play.

With the Chiefs holding a slim 5-4 lead at the end of four innings of play, the Astros broke the game open in the top of the fifth inning by scoring three runs on a bases loaded triple by pitcher Dale Norton.

They added two more runs before the inning concluded. Although the Chiefs were able to occupy the bases in the final two innings, they were unable to cross the plate as the Astros snuffed out two drives by turning a couple of timely double plays.

"We started the game strong, but couldn't get any runs in the final innings," added Olson, noting the Astros got some lucky bounces in the game and the Chiefs couldn't find a break.

Norton went the distance for the Astros while the Chiefs sent James Hawkins, Andrew Fahlman and Ryan Barrett to the mound.

In their first game against St. Paul, Barrett picked up the win in a game postponed in the sixth inning because of high winds. The teams finished the game on Saturday morning before the regular scheduled games.

Jason Olson was the pitcher of record against Athabasca and Mark Smyth recorded the win against Rocky, who advanced to the final game with an 11-7 win over the Czar Tigers in the other semi-final game.

According to Olson, the Chiefs wanted to make the championship game but fate held the trump card in their advancement.

"To make it to the semi-finals in this tournament was quite an accomplishment for the players," Olson noted, indicating the Chiefs were the first Olds Midget team to qualify for the provincials in five years.

"We are a fairly young team and the experience of playing in the provincials will help us next year," Olson added.

With nine players returning to the Chiefs roster next season, Olson is confident the team will be very competitive.

"The players have had a taste of playing in the provincials and I am sure they will want to be here next year," explained Olson.

The nucleus of the Chiefs was comprised of players from Olds and the roster was bolstered with additions from Carstairs, Didsbury and Innisfail.

Four games in the provincial tournament were held in Innisfail.

"On behalf of the players and coaches I would like to thank everyone involved with the team for making it a rewarding and awesome year," concluded Olson.

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10 COMING EVENTS

QUAD RAFFLE. 1st - Honda TRX450-ES, trailer/accessories. 2nd - Honda TRX350-S. 3rd - \$500. Tickets \$50 each. Albertans 18+. 1000 printed. Licence #197472. Titans Boxing Club, RR2, Rocky Mountain House, T4T 2A2. 403-845-2528. awna

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**REGION 5
EARLY CHILDHOOD
DEVELOPMENT
INITIATIVE
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

The Region 5 Early Childhood Development Initiative is requesting proposals be submitted from interested agencies and organizations wishing to provide Early Childhood/Home Visitation Services within Region 5.

Services are required for the period October 01, 2002 to March 31, 2003 with the possibility of funding being extended in the 2003/2004 fiscal year.

An information session regarding the submission of a proposal will be held on July 30, 2002 at 1:00 p.m. at Hearthstone Child and Family Services Regional Office - address below.

Please submit written proposals by 3:00 p.m. August 23, 2002 to:

Hearthstone Child & Family Services
160, 3rd Avenue S., Box 484
Three Hills, Alberta
T0M 2A0

Questions may be directed to:
John Palardy (403) 443-8535

The lowest bid tendered will not necessarily be accepted and Hearthstone Child and Family Services reserves the right to accept or reject any or all submissions in whole or in part. 16-2t

13 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

JANITORIAL POSITION available at Didsbury AG Foods. Drop off resume at office attn: Clayton or Don. 16-2t

CLEANER REQUIRED for office in Didsbury, once per week. Please call 335-9137 for further information. 15-1t

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FULL-TIME HELP NEEDED for work on custom feedlot/farming operation near Strathmore. Valid driver's licence/high school diploma required. Hourly wage/overtime/other benefits. Resumes: Namaka Farms, Box 2409, Strathmore, AB, T1P 1K3. Fax 403-934-6133. awna

EXPERIENCED PARTS PERSON required in Slave Lake, Alberta. Ford experience an asset. Send resume to: S.L. Ford Sales, Box 757, Slave Lake, AB, T0G 2A0. Fax 780-849-3333. awna

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13 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

We are accepting applications for two positions. The full time position is a floor management and sales position, with some budgeting, buying, inventory control and staff relations duties included. The second position is permanent part time, with duties including store opening and closing, sales, inventory tracking, advertising and merchandise layout. Computer familiarity and previous retail experience a DEFINITE asset. We are looking for long term relationship, and a self motivated individual who are willing to learn our system and progress with us. Please submit your resume along with a hand written explanation of your work expectations and salary in person at the store in downtown Olds. 16-2t

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PREMIER HORTICULTURE Ltd., a North American leader in the harvesting, processing and distribution of high quality peat moss, is seeking applications for a **Maintenance Mechanic**. The successful applicant requires an excellent work history, must be goal oriented, and will demonstrate a proven record in the following areas: Strong trouble shooting skills with hydraulics, electric motors, and pneumatic equipment; Allan Bradley P.L.C. Systems experience; Welding experience; Hands-on mechanical experience; Willingness to work in a fast-paced manufacturing environment. The position available is in a demanding work environment that requires some physical labor. Premier offers competitive wages and a complete benefits package. Interested applicants with the above experience are asked to mail, fax, or drop off a resume to: Premier Horticulture Ltd., North Division, 4803 60th Street, Olds, AB, T4H 1V1. Attention: Frederic Caron. Fax: (403) 556-6433. 15-1t

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And need another permanent part time (3/4 time) staff member. Duties include store opening and closing, cash reconciliation, sales, inventory tracking, re-ordering and re-stocking, advertising and merchandise layout. Computer familiarity a DEFINITE asset. We are looking for long term relationship, and a self motivated individual who is willing to learn our system and progress with us. We are presently adding on to the store and the position will be available in late Sept. or Oct. Please submit your resume along with a hand written explanation of your expectations and salary in person at the store in downtown Olds. 16-2t

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INTERVIEWER, CONTRACT POSITION 1 DAY A WEEK (HOURS DEPENDANT ON NEED). Duties include interviewing applicants and completing Legal Aid applications in Didsbury with respect to civil and criminal legal problems. Qualifications are High School Diploma or college Diploma/University Degree. Experience in interviewing and working with the public is required. Security necessary. Salary commencing at \$13.66/hour + 6% vacation pay. Submit resumes before 15 August, 2002 to: Regional Administrator, THE LEGAL AID SOCIETY OF ALBERTA, 4920 - 51 Street, Red Deer, AB, T4N 6K8. 16-2t

ACCOUNTANT/BOOKKEEPER, FOOHILLS NATURAL GAS CO-OP LTD. requires a full time Accountant/Bookkeeper for our office in Olds. A knowledge of the rural areas around Olds, Sundre and Didsbury would be an asset. Our candidate should have a good knowledge of computer systems and their relation to utility billing and accounting. Our billing system is fully integrated with our accounting system. Duties will include Payroll and Benefits administration, A/R, A/P and some counter and telephone exposure. Qualifications: A post-secondary degree in accounting or an equivalent combination of experience and qualifications. Benefits: A full benefit package including pension is available. Please reply by resume to: The Manager, Foothills Natural Gas Co-op Ltd. 6419 Imperial Way, Olds Ab, T4H 1M5 Fax 403-556-3224 E-mail - foothills@telusplanet.net. We thank all applicants for their interest in this position and advise that only those applicants invited to an interview will be contacted. 15-1t

AGRICULTURAL SALESPERSON required. Applicant should have some knowledge of farming equipment and methods. Applicant should possess good organizational skills and communicate effectively. Willing to work flexible hours. Call Tom or Gene 306-842-3288. awna

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ACCOUNTS PAYABLE. Located along Highway #2 corridor in Central Alberta, Parkland Agri Services Corp. has an immediate opening for a 3/4 to full time accounts payable clerk. This is a one person department where you will be responsible for all areas of computerized payables from p.o.s. to payments. Duties include invoice entry, supplier reconciliation, cheque preparation, communication with staff and suppliers, etc. You must have a minimum of 2 years experience and payables/accounting training. An agricultural background would be an asset. Send all resumes and inquiries by August 6, 2002 to: Parkland Agri Services Corp. Attn: Naomi Hazleton, Box 939, Didsbury, Alberta, T0M 0W0. We thank all candidates who respond, but only those to be interviewed will be contacted. 16-2t

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HORSEBACK OUTFITTING COMPANY hiring guides, cooks, packers and carriage drivers. Horse experience necessary. Must be available until Oct. 1. Personal interviews. Warner Guiding & Outfitting, Banff National Park; www.horseback.com. Phone 403-762-4551. Fax 403-762-8130. Email: muleman@telusplanet.net. awna

CERTIFIED MILL WRIGHT - Weldwood of Canada Ltd., 100 Mile House requires a journeyman millwright to join its lumber operations maintenance team. Ideally candidates should have experience with the various automated operations and systems in a modern interior sawmill. You must have an excellent safety record and above average trade skills. Candidates should also have good interpersonal, communication and organizational skills. Our millwrights work day, afternoon and graveyard shifts. Pay and benefits is per our IWA Agreement. Mail your resume to the HR Dept., Weldwood of Canada Limited, Box 97, 100 Mile House, BC, V0K 2E0 or fax it to 250-395-8287. awna

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REPORTER REQUIRED for The Valley Times, Drumheller's largest weekly newspaper. Successful applicant will be responsible for covering news and some sports. Fax resume: 403-823-6813. Attention: Isabell. awna

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TOWN OF VALLEYVIEW, Community Program Co-ordinator. Assisting the Director of Recreation and Parks in coordinating, planning, organizing and administering recreational and cultural programs for the Town of Valleyview and region. Contact Garry at 780-524-5150. Closes Aug. 16. awna

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OPERATIONS MANAGER - Natural Gas Utility. North Peace Gas Co-op Ltd. requires an Operations Manager in the Fairview Office. This is a new position reporting, directly to the General Manager. Applicant will be responsible for implementation and scheduling of North Peace Gas Co-op Ltd.'s System Maintenance Programs, Construction Program and Safety Training Programs. Duties will include the day-to-day supervision of gas service personnel operating out of our Fairview and Manning Offices. A complete job description is available on request. The applicant must be familiar with the operation and maintenance of natural gas distribution systems, including RMO operations. Applicant should hold a gasfitters ticket and be experienced in the supervision of personnel. Salary will be based on qualifications and experience. Full benefits package. Please submit your resume by 5 p.m., August 6, 2002. Attention: Manager, Stan Paul, North Peace Gas Co-op Ltd., Box 1239, Fairview, AB, T0H 1L0. Telephone 780-835-5444. Fax 780-835-2800. Email: npgas@telusplanet.net. awna

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16 FARM MACHINERY

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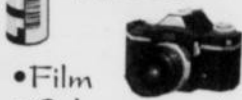
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Mountainview Christian Women's Club Breakfast is being held on Sept. 17 from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. at the Redeemer Lutheran Church. Lofty Designs is the topic.

Photography

A group of photo enthusiasts have started a photo club which meets the first Wed. of the month. If you are interested call Carla at 556-7510 or Richard at 335-3301 between 9 and 5.

Vacation Bible School

The Redeemer Lutheran Church "God's Workus Circus School" July 29 - Aug. 2, 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon. Phone 335-3161.

DIDSBURY

Meeting

Walk to D'feet ALS meeting July 29 at 7:00 p.m. in Didsbury at the Outreach School located in Victoria Square Mall.

Golf Tournament

Rosebud Health Foundation Charity Golf Tournament Aug. 26. Registration is \$125 which entitles you to 18 holes of golf, light lunch, dinner and entry for various prizes. Registration includes a charitable donation of \$85. Lunch is at noon at Carstairs Golf Club House. Shotgun start 1:30 p.m. Texas scramble format. Tournament goes rain or shine. Registration will be held on a first paid basis.

DIDSBURY

Group

The Compassionate Friends is a self-help supportive group offering friendship and understanding to parents who have experienced the death of a child. Meetings are 7:30 p.m. the last Thurs. of each month in Rm 3208 at the Drumheller District Health Services facility. For more info call Shirley 823-3001 or Linda 820-6012

SUNDRE

Craft Fair

Craft Fair at the Sundre Museum Sat. Aug. 3 10-4:30. Sun. Aug. 4 12-4:30. For more info call 638-3233. Jam sessions & refreshments.

ONGOING EVENTS

CARSTAIRS

RECYCLING DEPOT

Carstairs Lion's Recycling Depot is open every Saturday from 9 a.m. - 12:20 p.m.

DIDSBURY

COMMUNITY CRISIS SOCIETY

Are you experiencing family violence? Please call the Crisis Shelter at 1-877-934-6634.

CHAMPS

"NEW" Canadian Weight Awareness - CHAMPS Clubs Inc. is a Non-Profit Weight Loss Support Organization which meets weekly. We are open to Men and Ladies whom share a common concern of managing their weight. For more info about CHAMPS CLUB INC. call today. 1-866-444-7682.

DIDSBURY MUSEUM

New Winter hours: Saturday: 1 - 5 p.m., special occasions, & anytime by appointment. Please call Marg Weaver at 335-4245, Jim Neis at 335-3133 or Willard Stauffer at 335-3715.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
General Meeting - Second Monday of each month, 6:00 p.m. supper, 7 p.m. meeting 335-3265. RSVP

DIDSBURY TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Stacey at 335-4487 or Joanne at 337-2614.

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD
Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board meets once every two months at the Town Office. For info call Deborah at the Town Office at 335-8343.

TOY LIBRARY

Child & Youth Clubs of Didsbury Toy Library: Open Tuesdays 10-11:30 a.m. at the Anglican Church Hall basement 2037 - 24 Ave. New members always welcome. Kerri at 335-9928.

AA

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. Fridays 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury, 20 Ave. and 21 St. For information call Wendy at 335-3877 or Rick at 335-9525.

TIME OUT

Child & Youth Clubs of Didsbury's Mom's Time Out and Dads Too program. At Anglican Church Hall, Mondays 10-11:30 a.m. Nominal babysitting fee. Call 335-2388 for more information.

DIDSBURY

KING HIRAM LODGE

King Hiram Lodge #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month. For info, call Hans Lucas at 337-2250.

O.E.S. MEETING

St. Hilda Chapter #27 O.E.S. has its regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info, call Kay Johnston at 335-4060.

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Gamblers Anonymous (G.A.) starting Monday, January 22 from 7 - 9 p.m. in the Assembly Room at the Hospital Unit 4. For more information please call 335-8208.

SONS OF NORWAY

Sons of Norway meets the 4th Monday of every month at 8 p.m. at Evergreen Centre in Olds. All welcome. Call 556-2401 or 337-2037 for more information.

CASH BINGO

Didsbury Elks Cash Bingo every Tuesday. Doors open 6:00 p.m., Nickel Bingo at 6:45. Regular Bingo at 7:30 p.m. Didsbury Elks Hall.

DIDSBURY PRESCHOOL

The Didsbury Preschool Society is currently accepting on-going registrations for children 3 to 5 years old to our preschool program. For more information or to register your child please call Cherrie 335-8818 or 335-8039

LIONS

Lions Handi Bus in town service Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Wheelchair accessible. Call Lloyd Kenyon at 335-2363.

INFORMATION

Mountain View La Leche League, a group which offers information and support for breastfeeding mothers. We also meet the 3rd Tuesday evenings of each month 10 a.m. Olds Scout Hall. Phone 337-3617 or 556-3807 for information.

BEAVER'S

Beaver's Monday 7 - 8 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

OUT OF SCHOOL CARE

Just Done For Fun out of school care program runs each school day at Ross Ford. For more information call 335-8168.

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AL-ANON

Al-Anon: for persons affected by someone else's drinking. Thurs. 8 p.m. For more information call 337-2549, 335-9787 or 337-3762.

BRIDGE CLUB

Mountain View Bridge Club meets every Wednesday from 7-10 p.m. at the Masonic Star Hall, 2037-21 Avenue, Didsbury. All bridge players welcome! For more info: 335-8375 or 638-2757.

HALL WALKING

Adult hall walking at Westglen from 6:45 a.m. Monday to Thursday. Keep fit this winter.

SUPPORT GROUP

ADD /ADHD Support Group. For parents and families dealing with attention deficit disorder. For more info call Sheree 335-8612.

HOME HELP ASSOCIATION

The Didsbury & District Senior Support Services co-ordinates assistance for seniors. Call 335-4391.

LEARNING DISABILITIES

Learning Disabilities of Alberta, Mtn. View Chapter. Support and info for parents and teachers dealing with learning disabilities. Meet on last Tuesday of the month in lower level conference room in Physiotherapy Unit of Hospital. For info call Susan at 335-3174.

LONE PINE

T.O.P.S.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets every Friday at 9 a.m. at Lone Pine Hall. For information call Doreen at 335-4514.

OLDS

MEETING

Adoption Support Group of Olds and area meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month. For more information contact Susan at 335-8540.

SUPPORT GROUP

Fibromyalgia Support Group 4th Thursday of every month. For time and place, contact Mel Terpstra 335-3527 for info.

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ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
Wednesdays, 8 - 9 p.m. in the basement of the Anglican Church. Ron 638-2736.

ALA TEEN

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#5 Ladies Long Putt - Nicole Aasen #6 Mens Closest - Kyle Stoshnoff #6 Ladies Closest - Judy Edwards #7 Mens Closest - Bryce Mickleborough #7 Ladies Closest - Shirley Leaver #8 Men's Closest - James Cummings #8 Ladies Closest - Rhonda Hunter #9 Ladies Long Putt - Sharon Fulkert #9 Mens Long Putt - Bob Wright



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